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# A Publication of News and Events

If you would attain to what you are not yet, you must always be displeased by what you are. For where you are pleased with yourself there you have remained. Keep adding, keep walking, keep advancing.

Saint Augustine

Live in such a way that you would not be ashamed to sell your parrot to the town gossip.

Will Rodgers



# ANNOUNCING THE 1<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL PHOTO CONTEST

Sponsored by *THE INDEX*Do you have a great photograph of a favorite scene, event, or person (past or present) in Trappe? If so, be sure to enter it in our Annual Photo Contest.

Each month, we will share the entries with our readers. At the end of the year a winner will be announced. Entries may be emailed to **trappeindex@verizon.net** or dropped off at the Town Office.

JULY WINNER ~ Submitted by: Charles Adams

This building at the corner of Main Street & Maple Avenue has served Trappe in many capacities over the years, including a general store, lunch counter, and Laundromat. Now a part of the planned Mitchum's Marketplace complex, the structure will soon be demolished and replaced with a replica that will serve as a new restaurant while paying tribute to the building's past.

**Disclaimer**: In submitting a photo entry, you grant *The Index* the right to use the image in Town publications. Winning photographs will be published in *The Index* and may be displayed on Town Web site. Entrants are responsible for obtaining photo-release permission from subjects shown in submitted photographs, including the permission of parents for children under age 18.



The windows of this Trappe store promise lots of service, but these two canine customers seem to be wondering if they would be included if they wagged their tails instead of winking. [Photo by Bob Hill]





# **NEWS FROM TOWN HALL**

Town Meetings and Planning Commission Meetings are open to the public. Citizens are encouraged to attend to be informed and give input. Meeting agendas are posted outside Town Hall every Friday, and items are added as requested (which can be as late as Wednesday morning) and re-posted with each change. An early agenda is posted on the Town website, but may not always include the latest changes. Stop by the Town Hall on Wednesday evenings and learn first-hand about the many happenings in our town. For more information, call the Town Clerk at 410.476.3170.

- ◆ Town Meetings are held the first Wednesday of every month at 7:30 pm
- ◆ Planning Commission Meetings are held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:30 pm
- ◆ Public Hearings, Workshops and Appeals Hearings are scheduled as needed and are often held prior to the above meetings

<u>Highway Commercial Design Standards:</u> After months of document construction by the Planning Commission, this ordinance was referred to town attorneys for review before being reviewed by the Town Council.

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Ordinance 5-2005, Amending Article XVI of the Town Code for Grease Traps

This amendment would require all property owners offering food for sale to install approved grease traps. This will include non-profit organizations, who will have 12 months to comply and who can meet the requirement by installing above floor portable grease traps. The town would be willing to split the cost of this equipment with existing nonprofit organizations.

# A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD AUGUST 3, 2005 AT 7:15 PM IN THE TOWN HALL.

**Storm Drain and Water & Sewer Standards Adopted:** The Town Council approved a proposal from Davis, Bowen & Friedel, the town engineers, to prepare standards for infrastructure, including water & sewer, storm drains, fire hydrants. When completed and approved these standards will be adopted and used for all future development.

Trappe Gas & Go Application for Alcoholic Beverage License:

Shayma Meresh, owner of Trappe Gas & Go on Route 50 requested a Special Use Exception to allow the sale of alcoholic beverages from her establishment. An Appeals Board hearing will be held August 30<sup>th</sup>. The Planning Commission postponed its review and recommendations until after the August 17<sup>th</sup> Planning Commission Meeting to allow time for further review and a written request from the applicant.

Lot Line Revisions, P.E. Moore Village Redevelopment Project (Main Street & Maple Ave):

A lot line revision was requested by Moore to allow vehicular and/or pedestrian access to this project from Greenfield Avenue. Property owner Jill Bishop was in agreement, and the Planning Commission approved the request, with a satisfactory Sewer and Water Management Plan to follow.

**Dick Newcomb: Request for Emergency Storage Facility, Howell Point Rd. Farm**Mr. Newcomb requested permission to erect a temporary storage facility for his farm on Howell Point Rd. His hay buyer's barn burned down, destroying the intended storage space for this year's hay crop. The Council approved a temporary storage building (in addition to the existing barns on the property) of about 38X48 or 30X60 in size. The building must meet setback requirements and was approved with a one-year time limit.

# <u>Castle Racket (Lyons</u> <u>Farm) Presentation of</u> Concept Plans:

 $\boldsymbol{I}$ n response to previous requests from the Town Commission, Bill Stagg of Lane Engineering presented updated concept plans for this proposed development at the intersection of Main Street and White Marsh Rd. Mr. Stagg stated that the project consists of approximately 500 residential units built on



### CASTLE RACKET FARM

about 174 acres. There would be four housing types: single family "estate" lots; smaller, rear-loaded "village" lots; townhouses; and two-family cottages. The development would consist of various, sub-neighborhoods, each with its own distinguishing focal point or identifying feature, such as a village green, small park, or water feature. The project is intended to be an extension of the existing town and will use an "understated yet effective entrance" and include the addition of a traffic circle at the existing awkward intersection of Main Street and White Marsh Road. A civic building (as yet undetermined) is planned for the entrance corner, as well as an Community Building which will serve residents of the development. The developer, Caruso Homes, plans a pedestrian link by extending the existing sidewalk from Home Run Baker Park to White Marsh Elementary. The project will be built in phases, with the large common areas being in the first phase.

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# **CHURCH NEWS...**

### ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Welcomes Rev. Ted Gleason and his wife Ann, who will begin to serve the church October 1<sup>st</sup>. The Gleasons are moving to Trappe from Cincinnati and will move into the rectory, once the home has been renovated.

# St. Paul's Preschool Registration Open for 2005-2006

St. Paul's Preschool is a state-approved program for three and four year olds. Come join us for a fun filled learning experience. Conveniently located on Main Street, St. Paul's is open Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday from 8:45 to 11:45 a.m. For more information, contact Lori Hemming at 410.476.4465 or Ihemming@closecall.com.





### SCOTTS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

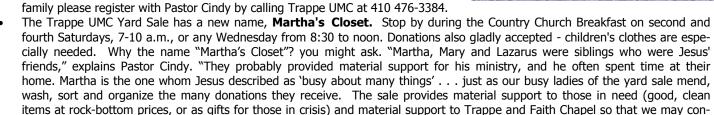
Scotts UMC is sponsoring **Walk-a-thon** on Saturday, August 13 (rain date August 20) to help raise funds for a church van. The event begins at 7 a.m. and will take place at two locations: (1) from Scotts to Oxford (approx. 8 miles) or (2) walk 8 miles around the Homerun Baker Park. The suggested pledge is \$1 per mile. For more information, call the church office at 410.476.3980.

Our **Annual Homecoming** will be held Sunday, September 4th.

## TRAPPE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

tinue to offer ministry in our community."

- There will be no "Fourth Saturday Youth Group" or Thursday youth musical night during August.
- A **new women's Bible Study**, "Bad Girls of the Bible," using the book by Liz Curtis Higgs continues through August on Wednesday evenings at 7:15, meeting in the Trappe UMC parsonage at 29426 Maple Avenue. Visitors and newcomers are welcome, you can drop in any time.
- Trappe UMC Hosts Vacation Bible School, "Circle G Ranch" Sunday, August 7 through Thursday, August 11, 6 to 8:30 p.m. All children, age 3 through teens, are invited. For more information: Rachel Coyne 476-4660 or call the church office at 476-3384.
- PARENTS OF TEENS AND PRE-TEENS: Are you the parent of someone 12-19, or expect to be one day soon? A class for parents will be held at the same time as VBS (August 7-11, 6:30-8:30) just for you. While your children are in VBS, why not share with some others who are walking on the same path and learn how you can be a more faithful parent to your teen or pre-teen. The cost will be only \$5 per family please register with Pastor Cindy by calling Trappe UMC at 410 476-3384.





Thanks in part to the success of this year's Strawberry Festival, eight youth from **Trappe UMC** attended **Camp Pecometh** this summer. "That's a lot of kids from one little church!" says Pastor Cindy. They were Jason & Bradley Moore, Corey & Taylor Fallon, Jacob Shores, Jacob Andrews, Royce Giest, and Bianca Hollinger. Shown here Pastor Cindy Burkert visits TUMC campers, Taylor Fallon and Bradley Moore along with new friends after a dip in the Chester River. (photograph courtesy of Trappe U. Methodist Church)



RANCH HOUSE KIDS

ABVENTURE OF THE OPEN DOOR



Youth from **Scotts UMC** will attend **MegaFest 2005**, with T.D. Jakes, August 3rd - 6th in Atlanta. The festival promotes family, fellowship, and fun through a series of events that include ministry, enlightening seminars, and entertainment for the entire family. Scotts has conducted fundraising throughout the year to pay for the trip.



# Information from the Town Clerk:

Please keep your water meter pit free of grass and other
Please take care when mowing and clipping to not blow

growth so all meters can be read in a timely fashion. Please take care when mowing and clipping to no leaves and grass into the streets... It is unsightly, clogs the drainage system and is costly to remove.

# Mark 10

### FOR SALE: TRAPPE POTTERY

Beautiful, ceramic pottery pieces of all kinds Ovenproof, Microwavable, Dishwasher-safe Many pieces to choose from, including commemorative designs for Town churches.

### Great for last minute gifts...

For more information please stop by or call the Town Office at 410.476.3170 (Proceeds benefit the Town of Trappe Christmas Decoration Fund)

**FOR SALE**: Used Washing Machine in Fine Condition. \$75 o.b.o. Call Ann or Richard Dorbin 410.476.3910.





**FOR SALE:** 2004 Buell Blast, 492 cc Motorcycle, (Harley Davidson manufactured), 1700 miles, comes with 25.5 inch low seat and 27.5 inch standard seat, Windshield, bags and tank bra. Easy to maintain, belt never needs lubrication or maintenance and valves never need adjusting. 70 mpg/175 + miles on a tank. Great for beginners and commuters and for just having fun. Call Cheryl: 410-476-5861 \$3500 or best offer....



# From the Postmaster:

# Attention Trappe P.O. Box Customers

Please note that a reactiva-

tion fee of \$11.00 is charged if rent is not received by 10th of the month on which it is due.

# **Hours of Operation**

Monday thru Friday: 8 am—noon
CLOSED FOR LUNCH: noon - 1 pm
Reopen: 1 pm-4:30 pm
Saturday: 8 am - 11 am
Thank you,

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Daphne Garner, Postmaster

If, during these dog days of summer, your electric meter is spinning almost off its axis, take heed of these



# TRAPPE NEIGHBORS: Thank you for your support

Thank you to all who supported Operation Taste of Home.

The communities purchased more than 30,000 boxes of Girl Scout cookies!! The USO at Dover Air Force Base distributed the cookies to Armed Forces in Iraq, Kuwait, Afghanistan and other bases. Cookies also went to Walter Reed



Medical Center for wounded and recovering members.

Submitted by Barbara Coleman, Girl Scout Leader

(source *Bay Window: Girls Scouts of the Chesapeake Bay* quarterly magazine).



# RECOGNIZE A VOLUNTEER WHO MAKES TALBOT COUNTY A BETTER PLACE TO LIVE & VISIT!

Do you know a special volunteer in Talbot County who deserves to be recognized? The Talbot County Council is pleased to again participate in the *Maryland You Are Beautiful Program*, a statewide "people pride" endeavor. All nominated volunteers will be recognized at a local ceremony in September. The person selected as Talbot County's most outstanding volunteer will be chosen to represent Talbot County at a statewide awards ceremony in Annapolis in November.

# THE DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS IS FRIDAY AUGUST 12,

**2005.** For more information or nomination forms, contact Karen Roberts at 410.770.8010.

# Tips to conserve electricity in your home: —Source: Easton Utilities, April 1, 2005

Heat or cool only the rooms you are using, close off unused rooms. Set your thermostat at the lowest comfortable setting, around 72 degrees. Run your pool pump in the evening or early morning hours and reset your pool timer to run during off-peak hours. Set pool heater at 78 degrees. Shade outdoor air conditioning equipment and keep it low to the ground to reduce energy consumption by 40 percent or more.

Clean or replace cooling or heating filters monthly. Have your heating and cooling equipment serviced or checked at least once a year. Be sure that drapes are not blocking vents. Close drapes and shades to keep direct sunlight out and lower your cooling costs in summer. Keep drapes open during the day to allow sun and closed at night to lower your heating costs in winter.

Insulate your home and caulk/weather-strip around doors and windows to reduce both cooling and heating costs.

Seal leaks around wall outlets and switches. Install door "shoes" or "sweeps" to stop air from sneaking in or out under outside doors.

Insulate attics. Make sure your fireplace damper is closed when not in use to prevent cooled or heated air from escaping up the chimney. Use the bathroom exhaust fan during and for a short time after bathing or showering to reduce heat and moisture build-up.

Shift energy-intensive tasks like laundry and dishwashing to off-peak demand hours (weekdays before 10 a.m. and after 6 p.m. and on weekends. Wash full loads in your dishwasher and let the dishes air dry. Air-drying your dishes may reduce your dishwasher's energy usage by 40 percent. Reduce the water heater thermostat setting to 120 degrees and reduce use of heated water for clothes washing. (Caution: some dishwashers require 140-degree water.)

When using the electric range, plan ahead and cook a number of dishes or meals for later use. Open oven doors only when necessary. Turn off and unplug appliances when not in use: lights, TVs, computers, microwaves, CD players, etc.

Use a portable or ceiling fan to circulate air and make a breeze. Fans cost less to run and use less energy than air conditioners.

# **NEWS FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT:**

We would like to thank everyone in the community that supported our Annual Yard Sale and Town Carnival and Parade. Without you our fundraisers would not be the

great successes that they are.

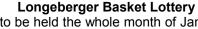


**Congratulations** to our new EMT's:



**Drew Dickerson** Ben Diefenderfer **Ronnie Foster** 

If anyone in the community is interested in joining the fire company, please contact Lou Diefenderfer at 410-476-3882. We have different types of membership options so don't feel like you need to be able to respond to calls in order to join.





...to be held the whole month of January 2006 - basket to be given away every day for the whole month, winning ticket based on the evening lottery drawing for that day - Tickets \$5.00 each. Contact Tammi Quidas at 410-820-2979.



# August 2005



Summer afternoon . . . summer afternoon . . . the two most beautiful words in the English language. **Henry James** 

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
SUBMISSION DEADLINE August 24th, 2005 Trappeindex @verizon.net or 410-476-3910	1	2 Bible Study Hosted By Drake & Elizabeth 1 pm 29299 Maple Ave Every Tuesday All are welcome!! SUMC 6;00 pm Men's Bible Study	Trappe Town Council Meeting At 7:30 pm Public hearing At 7:15 pm	4 AA 6:30 pm St. Paul's	5	6 TVFD Monthly Alert Siren Test
7 National Sisters Day & Friendship Day	8 EHS 7 pm Support Our Sports	9 TVFD Meeting 8:00 pm	10 United Methodist Women Meet at 7 pm Mid Shore Republican Women 7pm	EHS 6 pm Fall 11 Sports Orientation  AA 6:30 pm St. Paul's	12	13 Trappe UMC 7:30-10:00 am Country Church Breakfast / Yard Sale
St Paul's - Holy	TUMC "Circle G Ranch" Vacation Bible School - Sun Aug 7th thru Thurs Aug 11 - 6:30 to 8:30					Walk-A-Thon
Eucharist 9 am - Sun- day School 9 am  Emmanuel Wesleyan - Sunday School 9:00 am Service 10:30 am - Fellowship 5:15 pm - Eve Service 6 pm	15	16 SUMC 7:30 pm Men's Bible Study	17 Trappe Planning Commission Mtg 7:30 pm	18 AA 6:30 pm St. Paul's	19 SUMC & TUMC Shorebirds Game See info below	Rain Date SUMC 7 am Walk-A-Thon
Trappe UMC - Sunday School 9:45 am - Service 11 am - Fel- lowship 12 pm Faith Chapel Service	EHS 6 pm Freshman Orientation	EHS 2 pm Sports Picture Day	TCP Schools Open	25 TCP Schools 7th & 8th Grade 1st Day AA 6:30 pm St. Paul's	26	Trappe UMC 7:30-10:00 am Country Church Breakfast / Yard Sale
8:45 am - Sunday School 9:45 Scott's UMC- Sunday	29	30 Appeals Board Hearing	31	WMES Back to School Night 7 pm	Local Church/Bibl Trappe United M	, s



ervice 9 am

# TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALLGAME!!!

On FRIDAY, AUGUST 19, 2005, Faith and Trappe United Methodist Churches and Scotts United Methodist Church will sponsor a trip to see the Shorebirds play the Lakewood BlueClaws at Arthur W. Perdue Stadium in Salisbury. The bus will leave promptly at 5:15 p.m. from Scotts

UMC. The cost is \$12.50 per person for the bus trip and a general admission ticket to the game. There is plenty of food at the stadium available at each individual's expense.

7:30 pm Town Hall

Trappe Gas & Go

DON'T WAIT - CALL NOW - THE BUS ONLY CARRIES 46 PEOPLE

Call Charles Adams at 410.673.9099 to reserve your bus seat and ticket.

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# **Trappe United Methodist Church**

Wednesday Martha's Closet Yard Sale Open 8:30 am - Noon

Wednesday 6:30 pm Worship/Communion Wednesdays 7:15 pm Women's Bible Study 1st, 2nd, 4th Thursday 7 pm Choir practice

# **Scotts United Methodist Church**

Wednesdays 11 am Young @ Heart Wednesdays 2 pm Midday Study Wednesdays 7 pm Evening Study Thursday 5:30 pm Youth Praise Dept.

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**WMES** The very active Grandparents Club meets once a month during the school year, beginning Tuesday, September 13, 2005 at 10:00am at White Marsh Elementary School. All grandparents of WMES students please plan to attend. For more information, contact Julie Libby at 410.476.4822 or jlibby@dmv.com.

Got a mess o' 'maters? You can't miss with easy, tasty homemade salsa ~ Muy Bueno!!

Fresh Tomato Salsa

1 bunch parsley or cilantro, chopped 1 Tablespoon finely chopped jalapeno chilies (or more for hot taste)

½ cup chopped green pepper 2-3 Tablespoons lemon or lime juice 3 medium tomatoes, chopped 1/2 cup sliced green or regular onions

1 teaspoon finely chopped garlic

1/2 tsp salt

Mix all ingredients. Chill several hours to allow the flavors to mingle. Makes about 3  $\frac{1}{2}$  cups.



Note: This is just a basic recipe, but you can use whatever you have fresh from the garden or produce stand. For something different, add chopped pineapple, peaches, mango, and/or avocado, etc.